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10/763 879	01/23/2004	Donald I Payne	PAVNE	6007	

TITLE OF INVENTION: CABINET DOOR WITH CHANGEABLE DECORATIVE PANEL

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1. \boxtimes This communication is responsive to <u>the amendment filed</u> of	on 10/29/2007.					
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 16-25.						
 3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f). a) All b) Some* c) None of the: 1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received. 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)). * Certified copies not received: 						
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This Office action is in response to the Amendment filed on 10/29/2007.

Allowable Subject Matter

- 2. Claims 16-25 are allowed. Claims 16, 17, 18, 19-24, and 25 have been renumbered 1, 8, 10, 2-7, and 9, respectively.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art of record fails to teach or fairly suggest, in combination with all the elements recited in each of the independent claims 16-18, one of the upper and lower frame members having a slot extending between an inner edge and an outer edge of said frame member, with a groove along the outer edge communicating in parallel relation with said slot, the other of said upper and lower frame members having a recess along an inner side thereof and opposed notches at lower outer regions of the recess, a first dowel pin inserted through a first tubular loop and positioned in the groove, and a second dowel pin inserted through a second loop with ends of the second dowel pin engaging the opposed notches of the recess.

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Conclusion

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6868. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, and alternate Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Lanna Mai can be reached on (571) 272-6867. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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HVT /H.V.T./ January 28, 2008

/Lanna Mai/ Supervisory Patent Examiner, Art Unit 3637

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